

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 15th APRIL 2024  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 22nd APRIL 2024**

**Question**

“Further to the UK Government’s plan to introduce a new tax on vapes, will the Minister advise whether she intends to introduce such a tax in Jersey on all or any vaping products?”

**Answer**

The 2024-2027 Government Plan committed to undertaking a study into how taxation could influence consumption of nicotine through vaping. This review is underway and will include consideration of a tax on vapes. Such a tax would not be introduced before 2026 at the earliest.

As the Deputy will know, the Minister for Environment and the Minister for Infrastructure are currently consulting on a proposal to ban disposal vapes. Any recommendation ultimately made with respect to taxing vapes will take account of this work. The health advice has remained consistent: “if you smoke, vaping is much safer; if you don’t smoke, don’t vape”. The Government should therefore ensure that vaping remains accessible for those looking for an effective way to reduce their tobacco consumption.